

58 Stat. 845.
Dues, etc.

payments pursuant to the Act of December 21, 1944 (5 U. S. C. 61b-d).

SEC. 8. Appropriations herein made shall be available for payment of dues, when authorized by the Secretary, for library membership in societies or associations which issue publications to members only or at a price to members lower than to subscribers who are not members.

60 Stat. 903.

SEC. 9. Appropriations in this Act shall be available for health service programs as authorized by law (5 U. S. C. 150).

Employees engaged
in personnel work.

SEC. 10. Not to exceed a total of \$875,000 of the appropriations contained in this Act shall be available for expenditure for the compensation of employees engaged in personnel work: *Provided*, That for purposes of this section employees will be considered as engaged in personnel work if they spend half time or more on personnel administration consisting of recruitment and appointments, placement, position classification, training, and employee relations.

SEC. 11. Appropriations in this Act shall be available for payment of claims pursuant to section 403 of the Federal Tort Claims Act (28 U. S. C. 921).

60 Stat. 843.
Ante, p. 1008.

SEC. 12. In purchasing lawbooks, books of reference, and periodicals, and in completing broken sets, the Secretary or his duly authorized representative may exchange similar items and apply the exchange allowances in such cases in whole or in part payment therefor.

Per diem rates.

SEC. 13. Where appropriations in this Act are available for expenditure for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), such expenditures shall be at rates not exceeding \$35 per diem for individuals (unless a higher rate is otherwise authorized by law or unless a higher rate, not exceeding \$50, shall be approved by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget).

60 Stat. 810.

TITLE II—SURPLUS APPROPRIATION RESCISSION

Sums totaling \$560,197 for construction of the Havre-Shelby transmission line, Havre substation, Rudyard substation, Shelby substation, Milk River District, Fort Peck project, Montana, contained in the "Interior Department Appropriation Act, 1947", and the "Interior Department Appropriation Act, 1948", under the heading "Bureau of Reclamation", are hereby carried to the surplus fund and covered into the Treasury immediately upon the approval of this Act.

60 Stat. 367.

61 Stat. 476.

Short title.

This Act may be cited as the "Interior Department Appropriation Act, 1949".

Approved June 29, 1948, 4:58 p. m., E. D. T.

[CHAPTER 755]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Requesting the President to proclaim February 1 as National Freedom Day.

June 30, 1948
[S. J. Res. 37]
[Public Law 842]

National Freedom
Day.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is authorized to issue a proclamation designating the 1st day of February of each year as National Freedom Day for the purpose of commemorating the signing by President Abraham Lincoln, on February 1, 1865, of the joint resolution adopted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States, proposing the thirteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America.

13 Stat. 567.

Approved June 30, 1948.